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SUBJ: JAPANESE VIEWS ON INDOCHINA AID CONSULTATIVE GROUP

SUMMARY: FONOFF IS BECOMING PESSIMISTIC CONCERNING PROSPECTS OF FORMING INDOCHINA AID CONSULTATIVE GROUP AND SUP-GROUPS, EVEN THOUGH FONOFF CONTINUES ATTACH IMPORTANCE TO THEIR FORMATION. END SUMMARY.

1. DURING CONVERSATION WITH ECONCOM/MIN MARCH 5 (SEPTELS), MIKANAGI, DIRECTOR GENERAL, ECONOMIC COOPERATION BUREAU, FONOFF, RAISED MATTER OF PROPOSED AID CONSULTATIVE GROUP FOR INDOCHINA. HE NOTED PROPOSED SECOND MEETING OF POTENTIAL AID DONORS HAS BEEN POSTPONED, PROBABLY UNTIL MAY OR JUNE. FONOFF UNDERSTANDS, HE SAID, THAT DUTCH AND BRITISH (AS WELL AS JAPANESE) HAVE EXPERIENCED DIFFICULTY ESTABLISHING HANOI EMBASSIES BECAUSE OF PRG ISSUE. IF IMPASSE CONTINUES, GOJ WOULD BE WILLING TO PROCEED WITH DONOR MEETINGS AND FORMATION OF CONSULTATIVE GROUP AND SUBGROUPS, TELLING NORTH VIETNAMESE THEY ARE WELCOME TO PARTICIPATE WHEN THEY SEE FIT, BUT  
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FONOFF FEARS THAT BRITISH AND DUTCH (INFLUENCED BY NORDIC COUNTRIES) ARE BECOMING RELUCTANT TO PROCEED WITH DONOR MEETINGS AND CONSULTATIVE GROUP AS IMPASSE CONTINUES. THUS, SAID MIKANAGI, FONOFF IS BECOMING PESSIMISTIC RE FORMATION OF GROUP AND SUB-GROUPS. (IN EARLIER CONVERSATION, TANIDA, HEAD, FIRST ECONOMIC COOPERATION DIVISION, TOLD EMBOFF THAT FONOFF HAD BEEN DISAPPOINTED WHEN DONORS' MEETING WAS POSTPONED, BECAUSE SUCH MEETINGS, IN ADDITION TO PROVIDING VALUABLE FORA FOR EXCHANGES OF INFORMATION, ARE POLITICALLY USEFUL TO GOJ. WITHOUT SUCH A MEETING, SAID TANIDA, IT WILL BE DIFFICULT FOR GOJ TO MOVE AHEAD WITH ADDITIONAL AID TO SOUTH VIETNAM IN FACE OF CERTAIN CRITICISM BY OPPOSITION PARTIES. FONOFF WOULD ESPECIALLY LIKE TO SEE EUROPEAN DONORS PARTICIPATE IN MEETING, HE SAID.)  
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